Qualifications of the Medical Entomologist.

9. MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state the various qualifications of the Medical Entomologist (Mr. M. O. T. Aiyangar)?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI: Mr. M. O. T. Aiyangar, Medical Entomologist, is a B. A., of the Madras University and a Fellow of the Zoological Society.

Supply of European medicines to the District Hospital, Chirayinkil.

10. MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state the dates on which European medicines were supplied to the District Hospital, Chirayinkil, and to the Dispensaries at Vamanapuram and Warkala?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI: The question cannot be answered, as the years to which the supply relates have not been specified.

Filaria infection in Eraniel town.

11. MR. P. PADMANABHAN TAMPI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Eraniel town is infected with filaria;

(*b*) the percentage of filaria affected people in the area;

(*c*) whether the average is greater or less when compared with that of Trivandrum town;

(*d*) what steps they have taken to eradicate this evil;

(*e*) whether the infection is of recent origin or a long standing one; and

(*f*) if the origin be recent, the causes for the same?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Gross microfilaria infection rate ... 20·7 per cent.
Elephantiasis rate ... ... 8·7 per cent.
Filarial endemicity rate ... ... 29·1 per cent.

(*c*) Greater.

(*d*) The Public Health Department has started a filariasis control scheme in Eraniel from the 16th Kanni 1109 for a period of five months.

(*e*) The infection does not seem to be of recent origin.

(*f*) In view of the answer to part (*e*), this question does not arise.

Appointment of Assistant Jenmikaram Settlement Officers.

12. MR. K. N. KESAVAN NAMPUTIRIPAD (*Jenmies*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any Namputiri was appointed as an Assistant Jenmikaram Settlement Officer;

(*b*) whether they have chosen anybody from outside the Government service and appointed him as an Assistant Jenmikaram Settlement Officer; and

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